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TO: Joint Committee on Legislative Organization Co-Chairs

President Ellis Speaker Fitzgerald

RE: Government Accountability Board Memorandum of January 13th, 2012

DATE: January 23rd, 2012

FROM: Jeff Ylvisaker, Director Legislative Technology Services Bureau

CC: Senate and Assembly Caucus Leaders, Senate and Assembly Chief Clerks

Dear President Ellis and Speaker Fitzgerald,

On January 13th, 2012, Kevin J. Kennedy, Director and General Counsel and Nathaniel E. Robinson, Elections Division Administrator, both of the State of Wisconsin Government Accountability Board, sent the attached memo to Wisconsin Municipal Clerks, Wisconsin County Clerks, the City of Milwaukee Election Commission, and the Milwaukee County Election Commission. The memo was also published as part of an article in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel.

I would like to clarify an inaccuracy in the GAB memo.

Page four of the GAB memo states:

In fact, the LTSB conducted a limited analysis of 19 counties comparing the circumference of municipal boundaries from the WISELR maps to the circumference of municipal boundaries in county shape file maps as they relate to legislative and congressional districts and concluded that 4,204 voters were affected by incorrect municipal boundaries, 1,071 of which likely change Assembly districts and 66 of which likely change Congressional districts.

LTSB did perform a limited analysis based on data from the GAB but did not conclude that certain voters were affected by incorrect municipal boundaries, nor did LTSB conclude that certain voters would likely change Assembly or Senate district. LTSB only estimated the scope of GAB's reported problem before bringing it to legislative leadership's attention.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jeff Ylvisaker, Director Legislative Technology Services Bureau